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International Application No. PCT/JP2004/016795)
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For: LIQUID CRYSTAL DISPLAY DEVICE AND)
METHOD FOR MANUFACTURING THE)
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Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure as set forth in 37 C.F.R. §1.56, Applicants hereby submit the following information in conformance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98. In accordance with the PTO notice dated July 11, 2003, waiving the requirement under 37 CFR 1.98 (a)(2)(i) for submitting copies of each cited U.S. Patent, for all U.S. national patent applications filed after June 30, 2003, no copies of U.S. Patents are enclosed. However, copies of foreign patents and non-patent literature are submitted under 37 CFR 1.98(a)(2).

Japanese Patent Application Laid-Open No. 7-312290 is in the same family as European Patent No. 0 684 753 A1 and U.S. Patent No. 5,747,930.

Japanese Patent Application Laid-Open No. 2000-259099 is in the same family as U.S. Patent No. 6,614,053 and U.S. Patent No. 6,767,772.

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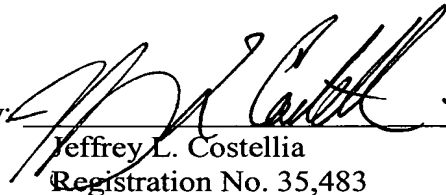
Japanese Patent Application Laid-Open No. 2003-315829 is in the same family as U.S. Patent No. 2004-005739.

The Examiner's attention is also directed to WO 2005/048221 A1, for which a U.S. national stage filing has been made, since the pending U.S. application may be related to the instant application.

It is requested that the accompanying PTO-1449 be considered and made of record in the above-identified application. To assist the Examiner, the documents are listed on the attached form PTO-1449. It is respectfully requested that an Examiner initialed copy of this form be returned to the undersigned.

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